### **United States of America**

Private Die Match Stamps Alexander's Matches

silk paper



RO3b

First issued in blue color, July, 1875 Last issued in blue color, Aug., 1875 Total No. issued in blue, on silk paper, 198,100

There are only 13 known copies of this stamp in existence, and all but one are faulty. Most of the copies have major faults and are repaired to some degree.

The firm name was T. H. Alexander & Co. and the business was located at Covington, Ky. This concern ordered no stamps after Nov. 1866, and on May 4, 1867, Mr. Alexander wrote to Butler & Carpenter, from Baltimore, Md., offering the die for sale. In 1868 the die was sold to J. J. Macklin, also of Covington, Ky., and he received stamps from it from May, 1868 to July, 1869 inclusive. From that date until March, 1874 the die was unused, no stamps printed from it were delivered.

Under date of March 5, 1874 the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Mr. J. W. Douglass, wrote Mr. Carpenter as follows: I have to inform you that the private die of T. H. Alexander has this day been transferred upon the books of this office to Messers England & Bell of Baltimore Md. The necessary change will be ordered at once, but until such change is made, stamps from the present die will be furnished. An order will probably reach you on Saturday next and as the parties desire their stamps at once, I will thank you to be prepared to fill the requisition on its receipt. The "necessary change" spoken of was never made, but England & Bell received stamps from the original plate from March, 1874 until Dec., 1875, when it passed into the possession of J. W. Eisenhart. On May 15, 1875 they wrote Mr. Carpenter as follows: "We find that the color you use in printing our stamps (red) undergoes so great a change by the chemical action of our Phosphorus as to turn them to a dirty brown. Would it be putting you to too great trouble to ask you to change our color to a blue which, like Drug paper, undergoes no change whatever." Mr. Carpenter's reply was to the effect that, after exhausting the balance of the orange stamps then on hand, he would furnish them in blue, which was done.

AKRON MATCH CO



THOMAS ALLEN



ALEXANDER'S MATCHES





AMERICAN FUSEE CO









**ALLEN & POWERS** 







J.J. ALLEN'S SONS



ALLIGATOR MATCH CO





ARNOLD & CO



**BAGLEY & DUNHAM** 



AMERICAN MATCH CO



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### AMERICAN MATCH CO.





3¢ Black

112

EX. SILK

### BARBER MATCH CO.







### BARBER & PECKHAM



BARBER MATCH CO.









1¢ Blue

(ULTRA.)

OLD







GEO. & O.C. BARBER



BARBER & PECKHAM









A. BEECHER & SONS



BENT & LEA



1¢ Orange

230 EX. SILK



BOCK, SCHNEIDER & CO. BARBER, JONES & CO.











B. BENDEL & CO.









H. BENDEL







WM. BOND & CO.









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**BROCKET & NEWTON** 











**BROWN & DURLING** 





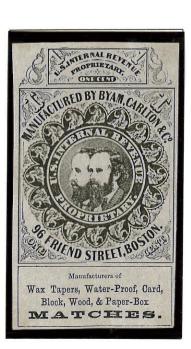
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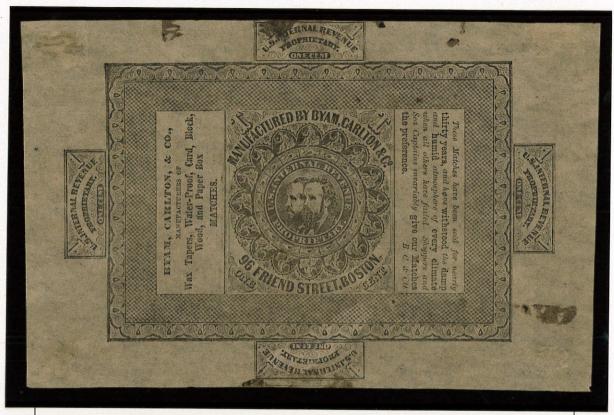
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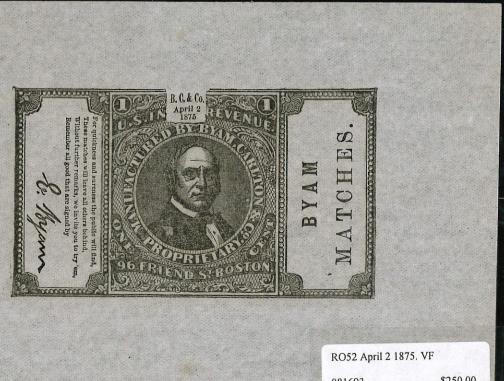
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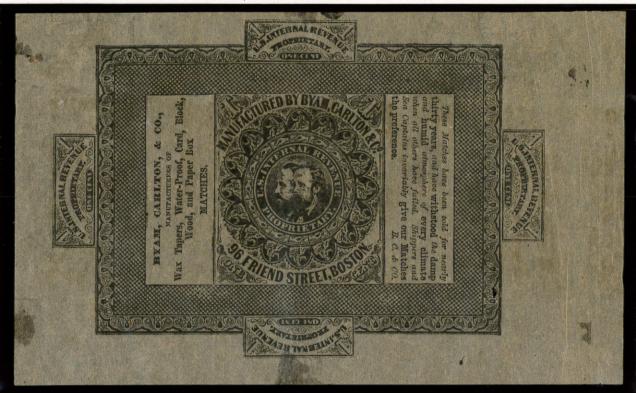


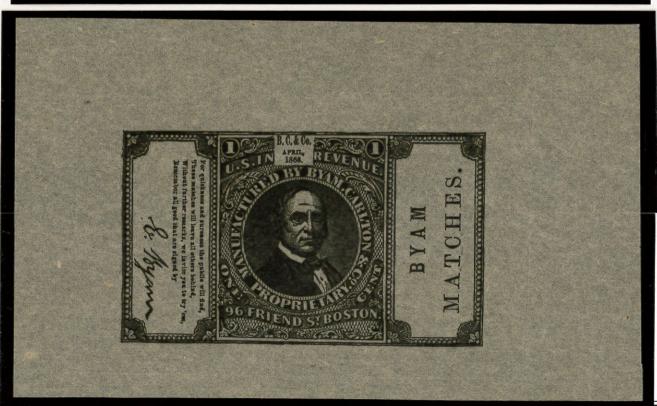


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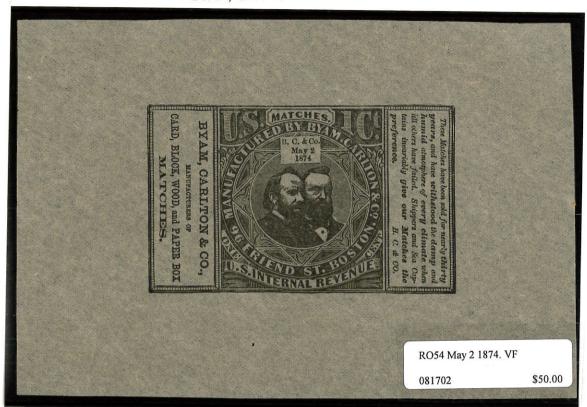
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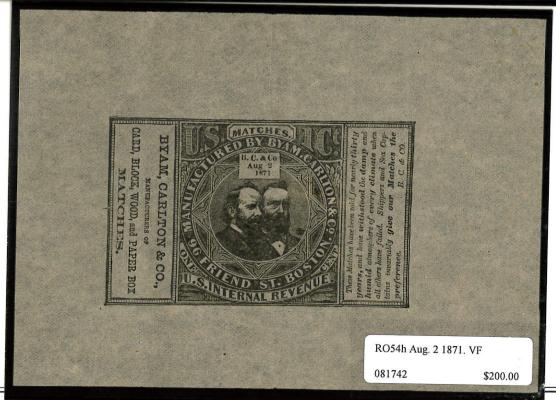
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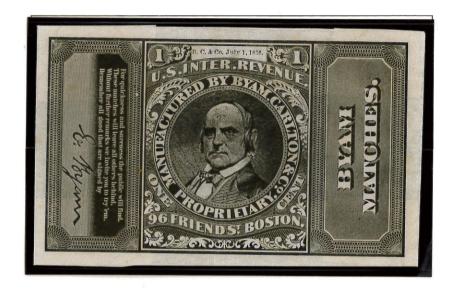
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CHARLES BUSCH



HENRY A. CLARK







FRANK E. CLARK



1¢ Lake



JAS. L. CLARK









CRAMER & KEMP



CHICAGO MATCH CO.





1¢ Blue 66e EX. SILK



W.D. CURTIS









G.W.H. DAVIS





W.E. DOOLITTLE



CROWN MATCH CO.



CLARK MATCH CO.



E.P. DUNHAM



E.B. EDDY



AUGUST EICHELE



JAMES EATON









1¢ Black
73¢
EX. SILK



P. EICHELE & CO.







1¢ Blue
(ULTRA.)
TOLD

EICHELE & CO.









J.W. EISENHART







EXCELSIOR MATCH WATERTOWN



G. FARR & CO.



### **United States of America**

Private Die Match Stamps Thos. Gorman & Bro.

old paper



RO97a 1c black

First issued Feb. 27, 1867 Last issued June 25, 1867 Total No. issued, old paper, 210,000

This stamp was first printed in green but, under date of Feb. 1, 1866, the proprietors wrote to Butler & Carpenter as follows: "You will please have them struck off in color similar to the color herewith enclosed, as from the manner I put them on the boxes they don't require to be cancelled; green I don't fancy much."

To this Butler & Carpenter replied, under date of Feb. 5, 1866, as follows: "We have printed for you in green, this being the color you had adopted, three thousand impressions, 630,000 stamps. We trust you will not be seriously inconvenienced by this action, taken solely in your interest. We would prefer to print in black than green and we will hereafter do so upon exhaustion of our present balance."

The stamps were finally printed in black early in October, 1866, and, upn being advised of such action, the Messrs. Gorman replied as follows, under date of Oct. 24, 1866:

"You will please continue the same color." They enclosed in this letter a marginal strip from a sheet of their stamps printed in green which explained what they meant by "the same color." However, the stamps had been already printed in black, so they had to exhaust the supply of that color before any more could be printed in green, which was done, and, in June, 1867, they again began to use the green stamps.

EXCELSIOR MATCH, SYRACUSE









GARDNER, BEER & CO.



EXCELSIOR WATERPROOF MATCH, BALTIMORE







A. GOLDBACK & CO.



WM. GATES











WM. GATES' SONS







1¢ Black
(ROULETTED)
934
WMKD.

A. GOLDBACK



1¢ Green

96c
PINK





THOS. GORMAN & BRO.



### WM. GATES







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GREENLEAF & CO.





GREENLEAF CO.











1020

**GRIGGS & GOODWILL** 









1¢ Black rose

EX. SILK

CHARLES S. HALE











W.E. HENRY & CO.









1¢ Blue (ULTRA.) 112 4 OLD

B. & H.D. HOWARD

L.G. HUNT







D.F. HUTCHINSON, JR.



IVES & JUDD MATCH CO.



**IVES MATCHES** 







KIRBY & SONS



P.T. IVES











118€

**IVES & JUDD** 







W.S. KYLE





LACOUR'S MATCHES







LEEDS, ROBINSON & CO.



H. LEIGH



LEIGH & PALMER







JOHN LOEHR



JOSEPH LOEHR







JOHN J. MACKLIN & CO.



F. MANSFIELD & CO.







THE "FRANKLIN" MATCH STAMP











1¢ Blue

132€

EX. SILK

1320

A. MESSINGER







NATIONAL MATCH CO.



NEW YORK MATCH CO.



















PIERCE MATCH CO.









PENN MATCH CO.





NEWBAUER & CO.







PORTLAND MATCH CO.



READING MATCH CO.







ORONO MATCH CO.





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V.R. POWELL









THE RICHARDSON MATCH CO.

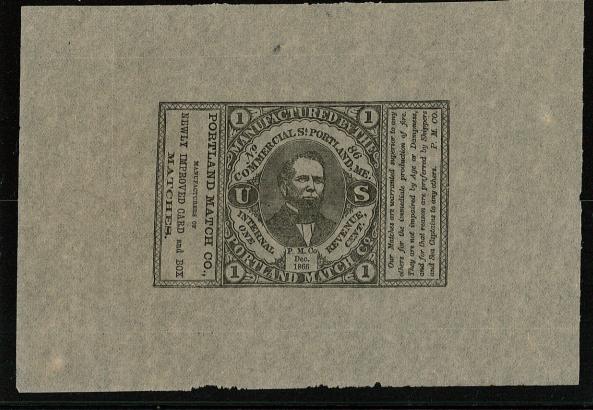












V.R. POWELL MATCH WRAPPERS

1¢ Black

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(28x57)

149

(BUFF WRAPPER)





### D.M. RICHARDSON















3¢ Blue

H. & W. ROEBER



160€





RYDER, CROUSE & WELCH



WILLIAM ROEBER









E.T. RUSSELL







STANDARD MATCH CO.





SAN FRANCISCO PERCUSSION MATCH CO.



### SCHMITT & SCHMITTDIEL









E.K. SMITH









HENRY STANTON









1¢ Black

EX. SILK

### STAR MATCH CORPORATION









1¢ Black

1720

EX. SILK

SWIFT & COURTNEY









SWIFT & COURTNEY & BEECHER CO.









TRENTON MATCH CO.







1¢ Green

/ 77¢
EX. SILK

ALEXANDER UNDERWOOD & CO.





1¢ Green
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EX. SILK

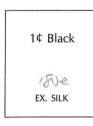
UNION MATCH CO.



UNIVERSAL SAFETY MATCH CO.







WASHINGTON MATCH CO.



WISE & CO.



WILMINGTON PARLOR MATCH CO.











1¢ Black



ZISEMANN, GRIESHEIM & CO.







1¢ Blue (ULTRA.) 166 u OLD

F. ZAISS & CO.

PRIVATE DIE CANNED FRUIT STAMP

T. KENSETT & CO.

